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SUBJECT: ITALIAN LABOR LEADER'S VISIT TO LIBYA

REF: TRIPOLI'S 0656 (NOTAL), ROME 7994 (NOTAL)

1. IN CONVERSATION WITH LABOR ATTACHE, IL SECRETARY
GENERAL BENVENUTO DENIED HAVING SAID ANY OF THE THINGS
ATTRIBUTED TO HIM BY THE LIBYAN MEDIA, AS REPORTED BY
EMBASSY TRIPOLI. HE SAID HIS REMARKS WERE RESTRICTED
TO COMMENTS FAVORING INCREASED COMMERCIAL TIES BETWEEN
LIBYA AND ITALY, AND ITALY, AND DESIRE ON THE PART OF UIL TO HELP
TRAIN LIBYANS IN TRADE UNION TECHNIQUES.

2. AS TO THE LIBYAN LABOR MOVEMENT, BENVENUTO SAID THERE
IS NONE WORTHY OF THE NAME; "THEIR TRADE UNIONS ARE THE
SAME AS THOSE IN EASTERN EUROPE." HE STATED THAT, OF
COURSE, THE LIBYAN GOVERNMENT WAS A MILITARY DICTATORSHIP
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BUT THAT HE HAD THE FEELING IT WAS LESS OVERTLY
REGIMENTED THAN THE COMMUNIST REGIMES IN EUROPE.

3. BENVENUTO, WHO SAID HE WAS A CLOSE FRIEND
OF JALLUD, NOTED THE PARADOX THAT, WHEREAS THE
LIBYANS WERE HIGHLY ANTI-AMERICAN IN THEIR PRONOUNCEMENTS,
AMERICANS ABOUNDED IN LIBYA OPERATING THE PETROLEUM

EXTRACTION INDUSTRY. HE ADDED THAT, DESPITE THE GREAT
WEALTH ACCUMULATED BY LIBYA, LITTLE IMPROVEMENT COULD
BE SEEN IN THE COUNTRY.GARDNER

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